



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Timothy A. Wurtz and Ronald D. Wurtz

Serial No. : 09/662,718  
Filed : September 15, 2000  
For : FLOOR JOIST RETAINER AND  
METHOD FOR USING THE SAME

Dated: March 29, 2001  
Our File: SFN 301RI

**Attention: BOX MISSING PARTS**

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF REISSUE APPLICATION**

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application dated September 29, 2000 enclosed is a Submission of Ownership Interest and Consent to Reissue Application, Declaration and Power of Attorney form, and duplicate copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application, together with our check in the amount of \$1,275.00 for payment of the filing fee, surcharge for filing these documents subsequent to the filing date of the application and extension fee. Applicants claim small entity status (see 37 C.F.R. 1.27) and the fee submitted herewith are the fees for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, BOX MISSING PARTS, Washington, D.C. 20231 on March 29, 2001.

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$312.
  - \$234 for 3 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue application establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1054.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**SUBMISSION OF OWNERSHIP INTEREST  
AND CONSENT TO REISSUE APPLICATION**

I, Neil F. Salathe, am the Chief Executive Officer of JPL, LLC, and am authorized to act on its behalf. I have reviewed the chain of title for U.S. Patent No. 5,806,274 and have determined that JPL, LLC is the assignee of the entire ownership interest in the patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), JPL's interest is established by the enclosed documents.

JPL, LLC hereby offers to surrender U.S. Patent No. 5,806,274, and consents to the above identified reissue application concerning U.S. Patent No. 5,806,274.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001

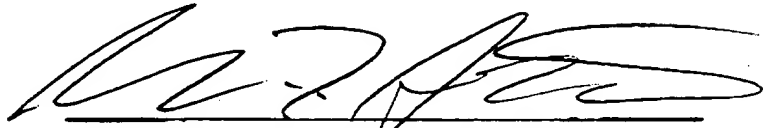
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of title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

JPL, LLC

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Neil F. Salathe, Chief Executive Officer

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